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PATENT**Application # 10/734,010****Attorney Docket # 2002P20761US01 (1009-053)****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Jones, John David
Application # : 10/734,010
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Application Title : Systems, Devices, and Methods for Acceptance Testing a Fieldbus
Component Configuration Program
Art Unit # : 2857
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

I, Steven Hausman, a citizen of the United States, whose full post office address is 2322 Camelot Circle, Johnson City, TN 37604 sincerely declare that:

1. I am an inventor of the above-identified U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/734,010 (the Application).
2. Upon information and belief, as will be detailed below, the attached documents evidence that the subject matter of each of the claims of the Application was conceived in the United States and pursued with diligence from a date prior to the effective filing date (11 December 2002) of Published United States Patent Application No. 10/316,720 (Cassiolato), which has been cited in a rejection against certain claims of the Application.
3. Upon information and belief, Document A, which is titled "Invention Disclosure", to which I provided my dated signature on 19 November 2002, and which was stamped

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as received by the Intellectual Property Department of my employer, Siemens Corporation, on 3 December 2002, briefly describes the "purpose(s), and likely field(s) of use of this invention", and evidences conception and that the Application was pursued with diligence from at least 19 November 2002.

4. Upon information and belief, Document B, which is titled "AS-I Wizard", was included with Document A when I signed Document A on 19 November 2002, contains a description of the subject matter claimed in the Application, and evidences conception and that the Application was pursued with diligence from at least 19 November 2002.
5. Upon information and belief, Document C, which is titled "AS-I Wizard Test Plan", was included with Document A when I signed Document A on 19 November 2002, contains a description of the subject matter claimed in the Application, and evidences conception and that the Application was pursued with diligence from at least 19 November 2002.
6. Upon information and belief, the Application claims priority to United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/436,261, which was filed on 23 December 2002, and which included a copy of Documents B and C, thus containing a description of the subject matter claimed in the Application, and evidencing conception and that the Application was pursued with diligence to 23 December 2002, the effective file date of the Application.

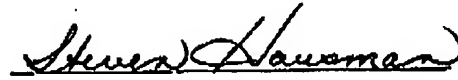
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Signed this 27 day of July, 2005



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